

July 12, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5718.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### EXPANDING OUR FOOD AND FIBER SUPPLY

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine expanding our food and fiber supply through a strong United States farm policy, after receiving testimony from Thomas J. Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture; Roger Johnson, National Farmers Union, and Bob Stallman, American Farm Bureau Federation, both of Washington, D.C.; Christopher Pawelski, Pawelski Farms, Goshen, New York; Laudies Dow Brantley III, England, Arkansas; Johnny Cochran, Sylvester, Georgia; and Mark Watne, Jamestown, North Dakota.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Elisabeth Ann Hagen, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Food Safety, and Catherine E. Woteki, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, both of the Department of Agriculture, and Sara Louise Faivre-Davis, of Texas, Lowell Lee Junkins, of Iowa, and Myles J. Watts, of Montana, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, Farm Credit Administration.

### ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDINGS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation and Community Development concluded a hearing to examine green housing for the 21st century, focusing on retrofitting the past and building an energy-efficient future, including S. 1379, to encourage energy efficiency and conservation and development of renewable energy sources for housing, commercial structures, and other buildings, and to create sustainable communities, after receiving testimony from Senator Whitehouse; Representative Perlmutter; Ron Sims, Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; David Caldwell, Jr., Caldwell and Johnson, Inc., North Kingstown, Rhode Island; Trisha Miller, Enterprise Community Partners, Columbia, Maryland; and Kenneth Gear, Leading Builders of America, Washington, D.C.

### DEEPWATER HORIZON TRAGEDY

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the Deepwater Horizon tragedy, focusing on holding industry accountable, after receiving testimony from Thomas C. Galligan, Jr., Colby-Sawyer College, New London, New Hampshire; Fred McCallister, Allegiance Capital Corporation, Dallas, Texas; Shelley Anderson, Midfield, Texas; and Natalie Roshto, Liberty, Mississippi.

### VALLES CALDERA NATIONAL PRESERVE MANAGEMENT ACT

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 3452, to designate the Valles Caldera National Preserve as a unit of the National Park System, after receiving testimony from Senator Udall (NM); Daniel N. Wenk, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Harris Sherman, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, Department of Agriculture; Jemez Pueblo Governor Joshua Madalena, Jemez Pueblo, New Mexico; Pueblo of Santa Clara Governor Walter Dasheno, Espanola, New Mexico; Michael E. Wismer, Incorporated County of Los Alamos, Los Alamos, New Mexico; Stephen E. Henry, Valles Caldera Trust, Jemez Springs, New Mexico; and Jeremy Vesbach, New Mexico Wildlife Federation, Albuquerque.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported S. 3516, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to reform the management of energy and mineral resources on the Outer Continental Shelf, with amendments.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3305, to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to require oil polluters to pay the full cost of oil spills, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3515, to authorize and enhance the programs of the Department of the Interior relating to the detection of, response to, and mitigation and cleanup of oil spills on Federal land managed by the Department, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1311, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to expand and strengthen cooperative efforts to monitor, restore, and protect the resource productivity, water quality, and marine ecosystems of the Gulf of Mexico, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;